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From the Qur'an:

“And hold firmly to the rope of Allah all together and do not become divided. And remember the favor of Allah upon you - when you were enemies and He brought your hearts together and you became, by His favor, brothers. And you were on the edge of a pit of the Fire, and He saved you from it. Thus does Allah make clear to you His verses that you may be guided.”

(*Surah Aal-e-Imran: Verse 103*)

Selected Hadith:

“Allah will not take back knowledge (from your memories) after having bestowed it on you. However, He will take scholars, together with their knowledge, from within their communities and take their souls. All that remains will be an ignorant body of people. The people will ask them about their religious needs, and they will issue decrees (religious opinion on a matter) in the light of their own ideas and desires (ignoring the Qur'an and hadith) and will both deviate themselves and lead other into deviation.”

(*Sahih Bukhari*)

All praise is due to Allah (SWT), and peace & blessing on his noble Messengers (AS), in particular, on the last of them all the blessed Prophet Muhammad (SAAW).

Despite their condemnation of Donald Trump's decision to recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, several Gulf countries, primarily Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Oman and U.A.E. have opened channels of dialogue with Israel. It is supposed to face the “Iranian threat”, but are their citizens ready to accept the selling-off the Palestinian question?

Last year the Israeli Minister of Energy in an interview given to the Israeli army radio, declared: “We have an ongoing relationship, partly secret, with Arab and Islamic countries. Generally speaking, this is not something we are ashamed of, it is rather the other parties which prefer to keep it secret. So that while ordinarily we have no problem with these contacts with Saudi Arabia or other Arab or Islamic countries, when they acquire any real importance, we respect the other parties' wishes. Some of these dealings are quite developed, but we keep them a secret.”

This was the first time an Israeli official has mentioned these contacts. At another level, the social networks in the region expressed concern over the trip to Saudi Arabia taken by the Israeli blogger Ben Tzion, who posted on his Facebook page a video shot inside the Prophet's (SAAW) Mosque in Madinah with the following commentary: “Prayer for Peace! Side by side with my Arab brothers. Peace for everyone everywhere in the Middle East. Peace between Jews, Muslims, Christians, Copts, Druze, Bedouins and all the descendants of Ibrahim-Abraham. Salaam, Shalom.”

The video was widely circulated and prompted many annoyed comments. Most cybernauts accused Riyadh of normalizing its relations with Israel and wondered how the blogger got into Saudi Arabia and was allowed inside that mosque.

In November 2017, an Israeli racing driver took part in a motor race on the international circuit at Manama, the capital of Bahrain—though the Israeli flag was not displayed on his car as the organizers wanted to avoid offending public opinion—while Qatar hosted Israeli delegates at a conference on economic prospects in the Middle East. In both instances the social networks were submerged by a wave of protest with both Qatar and Bahrain accused of normalization.

Surprisingly, these occurrences aroused no official reaction from Gulf countries, where the authorities remain unfazed by accusations of treating with the enemy. As for the media machine—official or unofficial—it was too busy holding forth about the threat of Chinese, Russian and Iranian expansionism.

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“The Zionists are working to create a climate of reconciliation and normalization with the Arab Gulf countries, but we are not prepared to recognize the right of a thief to steal our brothers’ house [an allusion to Palestine],” declared Dr. Zafer Alajmi, director of the Gulf Monitoring Group.

“The chief obstacle in the way of peace is not the leadership of the countries around us but Arab public opinion which has been subjected for years to propaganda presenting a false and tendentious image of Israel,” wrote Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on his Twitter account in Arabic, dated 21 November 2017.

Following the 1996 Madrid peace conference, Qatar and Oman had actually allowed Israel to open trade offices on their territory, but these were closed when the Second Intifada broke out in 2000. But this has not prevented many products made in Israel from arriving in the Gulf countries. When people complain, the authorities have the merchandise removed from the shelves . . . unless they simply choose to ignore the complaints.

And finally, there are the numerous visits, some secret, some not, to Jerusalem and the neighboring towns for sporting events, congresses or parliamentary encounters. Ultimately these trips are leaked to the press in Israel or elsewhere and create a degree of unease in public opinion, but soon everything is back to normal.

This recognition of the State of Israel is a new development in a region reputed historically for its hostility towards the Zionist entity and where the idea of accepting the existence of Israel and cooperating with that country was absolutely unthinkable. The unthinkable and secret “agenda” of the rulers in various Muslim and predominantly Gulf (or Arab) rulers and governments was made public this year, with many of these countries, including Oman and the U.A.E. openly hosting Netanyahu and the Israeli Energy Minister, respectively.

It is our opinion that the general public in most Muslim countries, mainly the Arab-Gulf states, have also played a cold and indifferent role in this scenario. The Muslims of these states have neither condemned nor agitated against the decisions made by their rulers to engage with the illegitimate state of Israel, thus letting down the Palestinian cause in a shockingly appalling way. All those who are rightly opposed to this wave of “normalization” and feel the need to alert public opinion to the gravity of the situation ought to organize themselves to strengthen the boycott campaigns against Israel and make them more effective. The aim should also include to make the youth of the region aware of the importance of the common struggle in support of the Palestinian cause and pressure the rulers of Arab-Gulf states to reverse the process of “normalization” with Israel.

The issue of the occupation of the Holy Land by Zionists is not an exclusively Arab-Israeli matter. Muslims from around the world must make their voices heard and oppose every attempt at normalization, direct or indirect. It is, in fact, the responsibility of every Muslim to protect the Ummah from the Zionist project of creating a “Greater Israel”, and also of defending the Palestinian people, in particular by promoting awareness among the coming generations of that religious as well as humanitarian cause so that they could join in the struggle towards the Truth. How long will it be before relations are openly established between Israel and the Muslim countries? Before liaison offices, embassies and consulates of the Zionist entity are opened in the entire Muslim world and the stride towards a “Greater Israel” gains momentum and approaches fruition, it is the responsibility of the entire Muslim Ummah to campaign in order to vociferously oppose it.

May Allah (SWT) make the Muslim Ummah successful in warding off the evil Zionist plan.

Aameen!

Signing off...

Dr. Absar Ahmad (Chief Editor)



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Date: 31 October 2018

Lahore (PR): “The Supreme Court has murdered Justice, Fairness and Integrity by exonerating the fated blasphemer Aasia Bibi.”

This was said by the Ameer of Tanzeem-e-Islami, **Hafiz Aakif Saeed**, in a statement.

The Ameer noted that although Aasia had recanted on her earlier admission of guilt of committing blasphemy against the Holy Prophet (SAAW) everyone knew that it was just part of an effort to save her life, as many convicts do. The Ameer remarked that the heartless way in which the Supreme Court had overturned the consensus decisions of the Trial Court and the Lahore High Court was a blatant desecration of all principles and requisites of justice, full of impunity and rarely heard of.

The fated Aasia Bibi had been awarded the death penalty by the Trial Court and upheld by the Lahore High Court. The question is that had both courts given and upheld this punishing sentence in the absence of eyewitness accounts and solid arguments? In addition, on which legal grounds has the Supreme Court overturned the punishment now?

The Ameer said that the religious emotions and sentiments of the Islamic World and, in particular, the Muslims of Pakistan had been callously trampled by this verdict. The Ameer lamented that the path to blasphemy would now be opened, following this decision of the Supreme Court. The Ameer concluded by hoping that the judges of the Supreme Court would reinstate the death sentence of Aasia Bibi in a review petition and prevent devastation for themselves in the Hereafter.



Date: 02 November 2018

Lahore (PR): “No one from the creation of Allah (SWT) can determine the loftiness of the station of the Holy Prophet (SAAW) on their own.”

This was stated by the Ameer of Tanzeem-e-Islami, **Hafiz Aakif Saeed**, during the Khitab e Jumu'ah at Qur'an Academy, Model Town, Lahore.

The Ameer remarked that observance of esteem and reverence for the Holy Prophet (SAAW) is a requisite and integral part of our belief system. All circumstances and evidence pointed to the fact that the verdict to exonerate the fated blasphemer, Aasia, had been reached under the influence of International pressure, he noted.

The Ameer said that the remarks given by the court that the lodging of the F.I.R. in this case after the lapse of 5 days of the occurrence of the incident of blasphemy was 'proof of suspicion and doubt' are absolutely contrary to the reality. In fact, the delay in registering cases of blasphemy occurs because the government (law) has made the process extremely cumbersome and the time taken to lodge an F.I.R. in such cases becomes warranted. The court has admitted, between the lines, in the verdict that the incident of blasphemy had occurred but due to reasons unknown they had overturned the punishment awarded to the blasphemer under article 295c.

The Ameer said that we concur with the right to peaceful protest of religious organizations, but do not condone engaging in violence and destructive behavior, because it becomes a cause of suffering for the masses in general.

The Ameer said that whenever the religious organizations had resorted to a (non-violent and sincere) mass movement on an issue, Allah (SWT) had granted them success, while the religious parties had continually lost stature by continuously participating yet failing in electoral politics and this downward spiral has increased over time. Therefore, the Ameer asserted that, the religious parties and organizations should quit the path of electoral politics, become united on the agenda of implementing Islam and initiate a mature mass movement towards that goal.

The Ameer concluded by stating that a time will come when Pakistan will become a genuine Cradle of Islam. *Insha Allah!*

